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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR, EAIR, PINS, VE, US, CU

SUBJECT: MESSAGE FROM SECRETARY TO FOREIGN MINISTER

REF: SECTO 30003

1. SECRETARY'S LETTER WAS DELIVERED AT 6:00 P.M.  
OCTOBER 20, 1976 TO ACTING FOREIGN MINISTER JORGE  
GOMEZ MANTELLINI (ESCOVAR IS IN CENTRAL AMERICA).

2. GOMEZ MANTELLINI READ THE LETTER IN MY PRESENCE.  
HE SAID HE WOULD BRING IT TO THE PRESIDENT'S  
ATTENTION IMMEDIATELY.

3. I STRESSED TO HIM ORALLY PARAGRAPHS 2 AND 3  
OF THE LETTER AND OUR BELIEF THAT THE PERPETRATORS  
OF TERRORIST ACTS SHOULD BE BROUGHT TO TRIAL AND PUNISHED  
IF FOUND GUILTY. GOMEZ MANTELLINI SAID THAT WAS  
CERTAINLY THE PRESIDENT'S VIEW.

4. HE SAID THE JURISDICTION QUESTION WAS GOING TO  
BE DIFFICULT AND WE WOULD HAVE TO SEE WHAT CAME OUT  
OF THE TRINIDAD MEETING. HE SAID THAT BRU I CELLI WAS  
ACCOMPANIED BY THE FISCAL GENERAL; DAVID MORALES BELLO,  
CHIARMAN OF THE INTERIOR POLICY COMMITTEE OF THE CHAMBER  
OF DEPUTIES; AND THE DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF DISIP (COMISARIO FRANCISCO).

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5. I TOOK THE OCCASION TO SAY TO GOMEZ MANTELLINI THAT

I ASSUMED HE FULLY UNDERSTOOD THAT DESPITE ALL THE PRESS  
STORIES AND THEIR IMPLICATIONS NO RPT NO US OFFICIAL HAD ANYTHING  
TO DO WITH THIS ABOMINABLE ACT. I RELATED THE CIR-  
CUMSTANCES CONNECTING JOE LEO TO RICARDO LOZANO AND SAID  
THIS WAS KNOWN TO THE DISIP AUTHORITIES. HE SAID THAT HE  
FULLY UNDERSTOOD AND APPRECIATED MY COMMENTS.  
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